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**MS PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No(s). 60/427,925 filed on November 21, 2002.

Inventor(s): Bruce Edward Matter

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MANAGING NEGOTIATED  
TRANSACTIONS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of sixty-two (62) pages
- ☒ Sixty-nine (69) sheet(s) of informal drawings
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☐ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). filed in on .
  - ☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
  - ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- ☐ Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- ☐ Other:
- ☒ Provisional application filed in English:  
☒ YES      ☐ NO

If "NO," an English translation with a Statement of Accuracy:  
☐ is attached hereto      ☐ will follow.

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- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$502.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

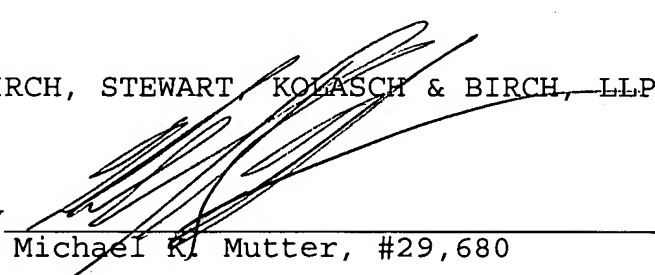
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